

Last time = Line integrals

Fundamental theorem of Line integrals

Given curve  $C$  parameterized by  $\vec{r}(t)$  on  $[a, b]$  and  $f$  a function w/ continuous partial derivatives. Then

$$\int_C \nabla f \cdot d\vec{r} = f(\vec{r}(b)) - f(\vec{r}(a))$$

where  $C$  is oriented from  $\vec{r}(a)$  to  $\vec{r}(b)$

Recall Switching the orientation of curve  $C$  negates the corresponding line integral. i.e  $\int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} = - \int_{-C} \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r}$

Ex: compute  $\int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r}$  for  $\vec{v} = \langle \sin y, x \cos y, -y \sin z \rangle$  and curve  $C$  parameterized by  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle \sin t, t, 2t \rangle$  on  $[0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$

Sol: First we check  $\vec{v}$  is conservative.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [V_x] = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [\sin y] = \cos y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [V_x] = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [\sin y] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [V_y] = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [x \cos y + \cos z] = \cos y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [V_y] = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [x \cos y + \cos z] = -\sin z$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [V_z] = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [-y \sin z] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [V_z] = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [-y \sin z] = -\sin z$$

i.e. by a previous result  $\vec{v}$  is conservative

i.e.  $\vec{v} = \nabla f$  for some function  $f$ .

Next, we compute such a potential function.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \sin y$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = x \cos y + \cos z$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = -y \sin z$$

$$f(x, y, z) = \int \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} dz = \int -y \sin z dz = -y \cos z + C(x, y)$$

$$\sin(y) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [y \cos(z) + C(x, y)] = \frac{\partial C}{\partial x}$$

$$\therefore C(x, y) = \int \sin(y) dx = \int \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} dx = x \sin(y) + D(y)$$

$$\text{hence } f(x, y, z) = y \cos(z) + C(x, y) = y \cos(z) + x \sin(y) + D(y)$$

$$\therefore x \cos(y) + \cos(z) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [y \cos(z) + x \sin(y) + D(y)] \\ = \cos z + x \cos(y) + D'(y)$$

$$\therefore D'(y) = 0 \quad \text{So } D(y) = E \text{ is constant.}$$

$\therefore f(x, y, z) = y \cos(z) + x \sin(y)$  is a potential for  $\vec{v}$   
(setting  $E=0$ )

$$\therefore \text{we may express } \int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} = \downarrow f(\vec{r}(b)) - f(\vec{r}(a))$$

$$\text{Now } \vec{r}(b) = \vec{r}\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \left\langle \sin\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}, 2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} \right\rangle = \left\langle 1, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi \right\rangle$$

$$\text{and } \vec{r}(a) = \vec{r}(0) = \left\langle \sin 0, 0, 2 \cdot 0 \right\rangle = \langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$$

$$\text{hence } \int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} = f(1, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi) - f(0, 0, 0) \\ = \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \cos \pi + 1 \cdot \sin \frac{\pi}{2}\right) - (0 \cdot \cos 0 + 0 \cdot \sin 0) \\ = \frac{\pi}{2}(-1) + 1 - 0 = 1 - \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Independence of Paths for Line integrals of conservative vector fields

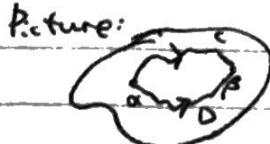
Prop: Suppose  $C$  and  $D$  are two paths between the same endpoints  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  and suppose  $\vec{v}$  is conservative. Then

$$\int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_D \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

pf: Apply FTLI:  $\int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} = f(\beta) - f(\alpha)$  where  $V = \nabla f$

$$\int_D \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} = f(\beta) - f(\alpha) = \int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

Prop: If  $\vec{v}$  satisfies  $\int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_D \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r}$  for all C.D. paths between the same endpoints on some open region  $R$  and if the components of  $\vec{v}$  are all cts on  $R$ , then  $\vec{v}$  is conservative



Pt: Fix any point  $\alpha$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .  
 Define  $\int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r}$

$$= \int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} \text{ where } C \text{ is any curve from } \alpha \text{ to } \beta$$

By independence of paths,  $\int$  is well defined moreover,  
 $\nabla f = \vec{v}$  (exercise, use the FTC) Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

Observation: If  $\vec{v}$  is conservative and  $C$  is a closed curve (i.e.  $C$  starts and ends at the same point), then

$$\int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} = 0$$

conversely, if  $\int_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{r} = 0$  for all closed  $C$ , then  $\vec{v}$  is conservative

↳ Exercise, (hint: independence of paths)

### § 16.4: Green's Theorem.

IDEA: In some special cases, line integrals can be computed via double integrals.

Prop (Green's Theorem): Let  $D$  be a region in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with a piecewise-smooth boundary curve  $\partial D$ . If  $P(x, y)$  and  $Q(x, y)$  have cts. partial derivatives on some open region  $\mathcal{O}$  containing  $D$ , then we have

$$\int_{\partial D} P dx + Q dy = \iint_D \left( \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \right) dA$$

NB: For this theorem to hold,  $\partial D$  needs the positive orientation.



Ex. Compute  $\int_C x^u dx + x y dy$  for  $C$  the curve positively oriented around the triangle with vertices  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0)$ , and  $(0, 1)$ .

Sol: By Green's theorem

$$\int_{\partial D} x^4 dx + xy dy = \iint_D \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [xy] - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [x^4] \right) dA$$
$$= \iint_D y - 0 dA$$

Note  $D = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1-x\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_D x^4 dx + xy dy &= \iint_D y dA \\ &= \int_{x=0}^1 \int_{y=0}^{1-x} y dy dx \\ &= \int_{x=0}^1 \frac{1}{2} [y^2]_{y=0}^{1-x} dx \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{x=0}^1 ((1-x)^2 - 0) dx \quad u = 1-x \quad du = -dx$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} (1-x)^3 \Big|_{x=0}^1$$

$$= -\frac{1}{6} ((1-1)^3 - (1-0)^3)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{6} (1-1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}$$

Reminder: Green's theorem only works when the curve is a simple, closed curve in the plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$

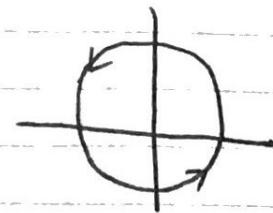
Ex: Compute  $\int_C (3y - e^{\sin(x)}) dx + (7x + \sqrt{y^4 + 1}) dy$  for  $C$  the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 9$

picture

$$\text{Sol: } \int_{\partial D} (3y - e^{\sin(x)}) dx + (7x + \sqrt{y^4 + 1}) dy$$

$$\text{Green's Theorem} = \iint_D \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [7x + \sqrt{y^4 + 1}] - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [3y - e^{\sin(x)}] \right) dA$$

$$= -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} [3y - e^{\sin(x)}] dA$$



$$= \iint_D (7-3) dA = 4 \iint_D dA = 4 \text{Area}(D) = 4 \cdot \pi (3)^2 = 36\pi$$